

REMARKS

Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the careful consideration given the present application. The application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office action, and the instant response has been prepared. For the reasons set forth below, reconsideration and allowance of the present application is requested.

In the Office action, claims 1 – 19 were rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting based on claims 1 – 53 of U.S. Patent No. 7,379,789. A Terminal Disclaimer is filed herewith so as to remove the ground for rejection under this section. As such, withdrawal of the nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection of claims 1 – 19 is requested.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 18-0160, our Order No. SAT-16280.

Respectfully submitted,

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